

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Hitoshi Maejima et al.  
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Title: DEVICE FOR AND METHOD OF  
FASTENING TWO COMPONENT  
MEMBERS

Examiner: Robin Annette Hylton

Group Art Unit: 3727

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111 AND**  
**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed February 7, 2006, having a reply due date of May 8, 2006. The Applicants herewith petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response by one (1) month to June 7, 2006. Appropriate fees for the Petition for Extension of Time are included herewith. Reconsideration and reexamination of the application are respectfully requested in light of the amendments and remarks below. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.